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Subject: Docket #98N-1038, Irradiation in the Production, Processing and Handling of Food

As a consumer and producer of organic food, I have a basic right to know by clear accurate labeling how my food is grown and processed for consulption.

If a food processer or handler has irradiated food, I want it clearly marked with the international radura symbol for irradiated foods and no weasel words like "cold pasteurization". The word "irradiated" should be included in any descriptive phrase on the label.

Sincerely.

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